3. The Executive Director distributed a draft paper, "New Procedures for Budget Execution," and asked that comments be provided, after which he will review the topic with the Director. He highlighted the elimination of the 150 K rule and said that it will be up to the Deputies to seek the Director's understanding or approval of truly significant projects with major policy overtones irrespective of the dollar amount. He noted his plans to conduct a monthly audit of project expenditures at the office sub-element level.

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A. Management Report and briefed on the requirements to comply with each Section of the Report. The Executive Director asked that special attention be given to Section I, "Management Reviews," in terms of articulating what each Directorate does to review its own programs; and to Section II, "Priority Improvement Projects," setting goals and devising a system to assess performance. He noted the burden this new reporting requirement may impose, but asked that it be used as a vehicle for self-improvement. The DDS&T pointed to the opportunity to include NSCIC/NRO-related activity in the report.

#### Senior Seminar

5. The Executive Director reviewed his understanding of each Deputies' view on this topic, and each elaborated on same. After a full discussion, it was decided to run the Seminar once a year (January) for 25 to 30 participants who have at least one promotion ahead of them. Participants may be in grades GS-15 and above, and it is understood that, if an individual attends, this does not automatically mitigate against his attendance at other senior schools.

# Civil Service Discontinued Service Retirement and CIA Involuntary Retirement

6. The Executive Director introduced the subject by observing that some employees erroneously view these retirement provisions as a right which may be opted for at their own convenience when, in fact, they are only to be used when the Agency as a whole, or a major element of it, is in a surplus situation. The Director of Personnel highlighted retirement statistics and underlined that we have consumed retiree quota approved by Congress through June 1974. A discussion followed, and it was decided that liberalized retirement options will be applied only where a true surplus exists.

## Youth Study

7. The Executive Director observed that problems of communication and motivation are not particular to youth. The ADDS said that the Senior Committee of the Human Resources Study Group has prepared a follow-on report. The Executive Director asked that it be circulated before any decision is made with respect to further action.

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#### Selection of MAG Representatives

8. The Executive Director noted distribution of MAG's paper on this topic. It was noted that it is a thoughtful appreciation of their function and selection which is offered as guidance in the future selection of Management Advisory Group personnel by each Deputy.

#### Cable Summary by Cable Secretariat

9. In response to the Executive Director's question, the ADDI said that he finds these reports useful. The ADDP does not.

## Absences of Senior Officials

10. The Executive Director said that reports on absences of senior officials need not be made in writing but could be phoned to his office.

#### Equal Employment Opportunity Goals

11. The Executive Director observed that EEO quotas will not be imposed but urged the Deputies to set goals against which they can gauge their own performance.

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Assistant to the Executive Director

Attachment: Agenda